

LUCINDA STONE.

JANUARY 21, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr BLACK, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following
REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 1378.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1378) entitled "A bill to pension Lucinda Stone," beg leave to submit the following report, and recommend that said bill do pass without amendment:

The claimant is the widowed daughter of Thomas Thornhill, late a private of Colonel Lee's Legion, Virginia line, in the Revolutionary war. His company commander was Joseph Eggleston.

The soldier received a pension on account of his service prior to his death, in 1838 or 1839.

Mrs. Stone, the beneficiary, is fully identified as the daughter of the soldier, and it is further shown by the testimony that she is of advanced age, totally blind, and in needy circumstances, being dependent upon those not legally bound to her support.

There are several precedents for the proposed legislation, and, in view of the helpless and destitute condition of the claimant, the passage of the bill is respectfully recommended.